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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

KRISTIN BAIN,

Plaintiff,

v.

ONEWEST BANK, F.S.B.; DEUTSCHE
BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY;
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS; REGIONAL
TRUSTEE SERVICES,

Defendants.

No.: 2:09-cv-00149 JCC

DEFENDANT DEUTSCHE BANK
NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY'S
REPLY IN SUPPORT OF ITS MOTION
FOR PARTIAL SUMMARY
JUDGMENT

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company's ("Deutsche Bank") Motion for Partial Summary Judgment ("Motion"), Plaintiff's Response ("Response") thereto, and this Reply in support thereof make clear that Plaintiff initiated this suit against Deutsche Bank not because she had a good-faith basis to believe Deutsche Bank caused her harm, but because she has been unable to get the holder of her Promissory Note to negotiate a "resolution regarding her default." See Amended Complaint ("Am. Compl.") 3.15. This is the antithesis of the Legislature's goal "that the nonjudicial foreclosure process should be efficient and inexpensive," and the Court

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1 should not condone lawsuits as leverage. *Plein v. Lackey*, 149 Wn.2d 214, 228 (2003). Because
 2 Plaintiff's claims all hinge on the assertion that Deutsche Bank lacks Plaintiff's Note when it in
 3 fact holds the Note, the Court should grant Deutsche Bank's Motion.

4 **I. RELEVANT FACTS**

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 6 The arguments in Deutsche Bank's motion address Plaintiff's claims against Deutsche
 7 and her failure to adequately support those claims. Defendants provided Plaintiff with
 8 information establishing the respective identities of the holder of Plaintiff's Promissory Note and
 9 the Servicer of her mortgage loan.¹ Using this information, Plaintiff named Deutsche Bank in her
 10 Amended Complaint, predicated its liability on Deutsche Bank's being the holder of her
 11 Promissory Note. See Amended Complaint ("Am. Compl.") ¶ 1.2 ("Plaintiff has been advised
 12 by counsel for previous defendants in this case that Defendant Deutsche is the trustee of the
 13 mortgage-backed securities trust that presently owns Ms. Bain's mortgage loan, in the place and
 14 stead of defendant IndyMac Bank and the FDIC."). Because she had not been provided with the
 15 original promissory note, Plaintiff now asks this Court to discount Deutsche Bank's arguments in
 16 support of its Motion which, like Plaintiff's basis for naming Deutsche Bank as a defendant, are
 17 predicated entirely on its being the holder of Plaintiff's Promissory Note. See Response at 3:12-
 18 15. ("Simply put – Defendant Deutsche's Motion rests entirely upon documentation that cannot
 19 be verified properly and cannot be relied upon for the purposes asserted by Defendant
 20 Deutsche.").

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 24 ¹ In her Response, Plaintiff states, "[i]t is important to remind the Court that in spite of the fact that this case has
 25 been open since 2009, Defendant's [sic] OneWest and Deutsche only submitted partial Initial Disclosures in August
 26 2010." Response at 1:23-25. However, Plaintiff conveniently fails to remind the Court that Defendants OneWest
 and Deutsche Bank were not named as defendants until July 14, 2010. Thus, providing Plaintiff with disclosures
 pursuant to FRCP 26(a) in August of 2010 was wholly appropriate.

As this Court has concluded previously, courts “have routinely held that Plaintiff’s so-called ‘show me the note’ argument lacks merit.” *Freeston v. Bishop, White & Marshall, P.S.*, 2010 WL 1186276 (W.D.Wash. 2010) (*quoting Diessner v. Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems*, 618 F.Supp.2d 1184, 1187 (D.Ariz. 2009) (collecting cases)). This fact notwithstanding, in response to Plaintiff’s brief, to assuage her concerns, and to avoid any ambiguity: ***Deutsche Bank owns Plaintiff’s Note pertaining to her property located at 15340 Macadam Rd. S, Unit B105, Seattle, WA 98188, endorsed in blank.*** Declaration of Ronaldo Reyes (“Reyes Dec.”) ¶ 2 & Ex. A. Plaintiff’s Note was assigned to Deutsche Bank by former defendant IndyMac Bank, FSB, and placed in a mortgage loan asset-backed trust pursuant to a Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated June 1, 2007. Id. ¶ 3 & Ex. B. Thus, Deutsche Bank was in possession of Plaintiff’s note at all times relevant to this action and its ability to trigger foreclosure proceedings in 2008 was the legal consequence of Plaintiff’s default.² Notably, apart from triggering the foreclosure proceedings following Plaintiff’s default, Deutsche Bank did not play a role in prosecuting the foreclosure – that would be the servicer and foreclosure trustee in late 2008, see Am. Compl. ¶2.5 – and Plaintiff makes no allegation that Deutsche Bank played any such role.

Next, a simple review of Plaintiff’s Amended Complaint demonstrates that her third cause of action, as asserted against Deutsche Bank, is not for violation of Washington’s Deed of Trust Act (“DTA”). Notably, Plaintiff only asserts a cause of action for violation of the DTA against defendant Regional Trustee Services (“Regional”). See Am. Compl. ¶¶ 3.8–3.9. Clearly then, if Plaintiff meant to predicate her “Breach of Fiduciary or Quasi-Fiduciary Duty” claim

² Plaintiff has already conceded defaulting on her loan obligations. See Am. Compl. ¶2.5. Additionally, she asserts that her failure to pay amounts owed is wholly attributable to the Defendants’ actions. Response at 4:3-5. Not only does this assertion contradict Plaintiff’s Amended Complaint, see Am. Compl. ¶ 2.5, the fact that Plaintiff has never tendered money owed – or even made an attempt to do so – clearly demonstrates the inaccuracy of her assertion.

1 against Deutsche on a purported violation of the DTA, she would have said so in her Amended
 2 Complaint. Instead, Plaintiff's third cause of action against Deutsche Bank is some anomalous
 3 claim that bears an uncanny resemblance to a cause of action asserted in *Vawter v. Quality Loan*
 4 *Serv. Corp.*, 707 F. Supp. 2d 1115, for wrongful foreclosure. See Motion, at 8 n.1. For this
 5 reason, Deutsche Bank argues in its motion that Plaintiff's third cause of action is one for
 6 damages for the wrongful institution of a foreclosure proceeding, and that this Court's holding
 7 regarding an identical claim in *Vawter* applies. See Motion, at 7-10.

9 Finally, while relying heavily on the Ninth Circuit's unpublished *Keahey* decision in her
 10 response, Plaintiff states, "[t]he remaining claims in this case are governed by state law and it is
 11 entirely appropriate for this Court to leave the decisions regarding the proper interpretation of
 12 state law to Washington courts." Response, at 2:12-15. Plaintiff completely discounts the fact
 13 that this case was properly removed to, and is presently before, this Court. Deutsche Bank's
 14 partial summary judgment motion was filed in this Court. Accordingly, jurisprudence from this
 15 Court and the Ninth Circuit applies to her claims and should be given due concern and
 16 consideration. As such, it is entirely appropriate for this Court to decide Deutsche Bank's
 17 motion based on the arguments and authorities cited therein, as well as those below.

19 **II. ARGUMENT**

20 **1. Plaintiff's Response is untimely and her supporting declarations have not been filed.**

21 As a threshold matter, Plaintiff's Response is untimely. Under CR 7(d), Plaintiff's
 22 opposition brief was due for filing and service by Monday, February 14, 2011; however, Plaintiff
 23 did not file her Response until Tuesday, February 15. Plaintiff did not request additional time to
 24 respond. By Plaintiff's failure to properly respond, the Court may find that Plaintiff has admitted
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Deutsche Bank's Motion for Partial Summary Judgment is meritorious. CR 7(b)(2). Additionally, this Court may not consider the declarations Plaintiff cites in support of her DTA and Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress ("IIED") arguments, see Response at 2:16-26, 5:9-11, because Plaintiff has not provided these declarations.

2. Plaintiff has still failed to adequately support her claim for Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress.

To be clear, Deutsche Bank moved for summary judgment on Plaintiff's IIED claim because (1) Plaintiff failed to establish that Deutsche Bank engaged in extreme and outrageous conduct, Motion, at 5:1-15, and (2) Plaintiff failed to show that Deutsche bank intentionally or recklessly inflicted severe emotional distress on Plaintiff. *Id.* at 5:16-22. Plaintiff's Response does nothing to refute Deutsche Bank's contentions.

In her Response, Plaintiff spends much of her IIED argument – two of the three paragraphs – discussing the distress she suffered and appears to use *Kloepfel v. Bokor*, 149 Wn.2d 192, 196, 66 P.3d 630 (2003), in support of an argument that she need do no more than show "a significant stress matter" to establish her IIED claim. See Response at 5:15-18 ("...symptoms resulting from a significant stress matter meet the standard for intentional infliction of emotional distress or outrage. The potential loss of one's home to foreclosure can certainly engender this sort of response."). Plaintiff is incorrect. Even if Deutsche Bank had argued in its motion that Plaintiff failed to sufficiently support the injury element of her claim, a showing of Plaintiff's "significant stress matter" falls woefully short of establishing Deutsche Bank's liability for IIED.

The elements of intentional infliction of emotional distress are "(1) extreme and outrageous conduct; (2) intentional or reckless infliction of emotional distress; and (3) actual

1 result to the plaintiff of severe emotional distress.’ ” *Snyder v. Med. Serv. Corp.*, 145 Wn.2d 233,
 2 242, 35 P.3d 1158 (2001) (quoting *Birklid v. Boeing Co.*, 127 Wn.2d 853, 867, 904 P.2d 278
 3 (1995)). As shown in Deutsche Bank’s partial summary judgment motion, Deutsche Bank did
 4 nothing other than take appropriate measures – triggering the foreclosure process following
 5 Plaintiff’s default on her loan obligations – to enforce its secured interest in Plaintiff’s property
 6 as the holder of Plaintiff’s Promissory Note. See Reyes Dec ¶2. Such conduct cannot be fairly
 7 characterized as “extreme and outrageous” for purposes of IIED liability. *Id.*

9 Nor does Plaintiff’s discussion of the *Keahey v. Jared*, Case No. 09-6000, save her IIED
 10 claim. Plaintiff appears to assert that the unpublished decision, emanating from an appealed
 11 Bankruptcy Court decision, has some bearing on Deutsche Bank’s motion. Plaintiff’s assertion
 12 is misguided in a number of respects. First, whether or not the case stands for the proposition
 13 that a party may pursue damages for violations of the DTA³ is inapposite here because a review
 14 of Plaintiff’s Amended Complaint shows that Plaintiff alleges no DTA violation against
 15 Deutsche Bank. Second, even if Plaintiff had asserted a DTA claim against Deutsche Bank, the
 16 ability to obtain damages under the DTA has nothing to do with her IIED claim.

18 Third, at no point in its motion did Deutsche Bank take the position that no set of
 19 circumstances would permit an action for IIED in the foreclosure context. In fact, if *Keahey* has
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21 ³ Plaintiff incorrectly contends that the Ninth Circuit’s affirmation contradicts the *Vawter*, 707 F. Supp. 2d at 1128,
 22 and *Pfau v. Wash. Mut. Inc.*, 2009 WL 484448 at *12 (E.D. Wash. 2009), holdings regarding a party’s inability to
 23 maintain an action for damages for the wrongful institution of a foreclosure proceeding. Beyond the fact that the
 24 unpublished decision was obtained against a *pro se* litigant, the *Keahey* court’s DTA analysis was specific to fees
 25 and costs paid to the trustee under RCW 61.24.090(2) to cause a discontinuance of the foreclosure proceedings by
 26 curing the default: “[The DTA] permits a challenge to excessive fees demanded to cure a default under a deed of
 trust to be brought in ‘any court.’ ” 2011 WL 288966, *2. The Ninth Circuit clarified that the obtainable relief was
 specific to the fees paid to cure the default. *Id.* at *3. As such, Plaintiff’s indication that *Keahey* stands for the
 proposition that a party might be able to pursue affirmative damages for violation of the DTA, see Response at 6:4-
6, 16-19, is disingenuous at best.

any utility here, it is to illustrate when a foreclosing creditor's actions might be sufficiently "extreme and outrageous" to support the claim.⁴ Notably, the *Keahey* Defendant's numerous misdeeds appear akin to "emotional abuse" and "other personal indignities," as discussed in *Vawter*. See 707 F. Supp. 2d at 1128; see also Motion at 5. Plaintiff, however, has provided no evidentiary or factual basis to support that Deutsche Bank's purported actions came anywhere close to approaching the severity of actions discussed in *Vawter* or present *Keahey* – quite the opposite, Plaintiff concedes that she "does not allege similarly egregious facts." In short, Plaintiff has failed to make any showing that Deutsche Bank engaged in extreme and outrageous conduct. See *Snyder, supra*, at 242.

Finally, Plaintiff's only meaningful attempt at establishing the extreme and outrageous conduct element is her conclusory assertion that, "Ms. Bain can prove her claims for intentional

⁴ In concluding that "reasonable minds (such as the one exercised by the trial judge) could conclude that, in light of the severity and context of the conduct, [the defendant's conduct] was *beyond all possible bounds of decency, ... atrocious and utterly intolerable in a civilized community*," *In re Keahey*, 09-60000, 2011 WL 288966 (9th Cir. Jan. 31, 2011) (emphasis in original), the *Keahey* court identified the creditor's following misdeeds:

"[Creditor] 'had no idea how to conduct a non-judicial foreclosure sale[,] ... did just about everything wrong,' and 'signaled to Mr. Keahey with each and every communication that Mr. Keahey would never be able to keep his house.'

[Creditor] stipulated to having breached his fiduciary duty to Keahey as a trustee under Washington's Deed of Trust Act (the "DOTA"). See Wash. Rev.Code Ann. §§ 61.24.010(4).

Although 'there was no ... interest due under the note,' [Creditor] demanded a 10 percent interest charge, amounting at first to \$36,000-a 'huge amount[]to people like Keahey.' [Creditor] likewise demanded payment for incorrect and excessive property tax, insurance, and utility charges.

[Creditor] arranged for the foreclosure sale to take place in the parking lot of his condominium, rather than a public place, as required by the DOTA. [Creditor] later testified that he opted for the parking lot because he 'was going to personalize it, make it nice for the bidders, ... [to] boutiqueify it.'

Even '[w]hen the claimed defaults were cured, [Creditor] immediately claimed new defaults entitling him to restart the foreclosure process and charge additional fees and costs for his own benefit.' By continually and unjustifiably varying the amount of debt owed, he unjustly prevented Keahey from exercising the right to cure for a period of three years." *Id.*

1 infliction of emotional distress by demonstrating to the Court that the wrongful and illegal
 2 initiation of a foreclosure sale by these defendants caused her emotional distress because their
 3 actions go beyond the bounds of decency.” Response at 5:2-6. Even if this were true, to
 4 establish a claim for IIED, the emotional distress complained of must be inflicted intentionally or
 5 recklessly; bad faith or malice is not enough to establish the claim. *Dicomes v. State*, 782 P.2d
 6 1002, 1013 (1989). In both her Amended Complaint *and her Response*, Plaintiff fails to allege
 7 any facts or proffer any evidence supporting that Deutsche Bank had the requisite intent. For
 8 these reasons, Plaintiff’s IIED claim against Deutsche Bank should be dismissed with prejudice.
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10 **3. Plaintiff’s Third Cause of Action, as asserted against Deutsche Bank, is specifically**
 11 **one for “Breach of Fiduciary or Quasi-Fiduciary Duty” and as such cannot be**
 12 **maintained.**

13 To be clear, Plaintiff’s third cause of action against Deutsche Bank, as asserted, was one
 14 for Breach of “Fiduciary or Quasi-Fiduciary Duty”; it was not for violation of the DTA. See
 15 Am. Compl. ¶ 3.8. As such, Deutsche Bank argued in its motion that it was entitled to judgment
 16 as a matter of law because it owed Plaintiff no such duty under Washington law. See Motion at
 17 4-5. Plaintiff utterly failed to oppose (or even address) this argument in her Response. Thus, for
 18 the reasons set forth in Deutsche Bank’s Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, Plaintiff’s third
 19 cause of action against Deutsche Bank should be dismissed with prejudice.
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21 **4. If Plaintiff now attempts to re-package her third cause of action against Deutsche**
 22 **Bank as being one for “violations of the duties under the Deed of Trust Act,” an**
 23 **alteration in pleading that should not be permitted, the claim cannot be maintained**
 24 **for the reasons set forth in Deutsche Bank’s Motion for Partial Summary Judgment.**
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1 As to her third cause of action against Deutsche Bank, Plaintiff's opposition brief bears
 2 little resemblance to the allegations of her Amended Complaint.⁵ Following Deutsche Bank's
 3 demonstration that Plaintiff's third cause of action appeared to be one for damages for the
 4 wrongful institution of a nonjudicial foreclosure proceeding, and as such, could not be
 5 maintained, Plaintiff responds with (1) speculation that because she has not seen the original
 6 note, Deutsche Bank lacked the authority to initiate foreclosure, see Response, at 7:26, 8:1-2; and
 7 (2) an invitation to this Court to ignore its holding in a highly analogous case, id. at 7:5-8.⁶
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9 First, Plaintiff is mistaken that Deutsche Bank is liable for seeking to enforce its rights
 10 under the Note. Deutsche Bank possesses the Note and has the right to foreclose. See Reyes
 11 Dec. ¶ 2 & Ex. A. Under Plaintiff's Deed of Trust, her Note was originally payable to IndyMac
 12 Bank, FSB, Dkt. 147-3 at 2, and was assigned to Deutsche Bank prior to the time foreclosure
 13 proceedings were initiated in 2008. See Reyes Dec. ¶ 3 & Ex. B (showing Pooling Servicing
 14 Agreement dated June 1, 2007). The Note is in Deutsche's possession and is endorsed in blank,
 15 without recourse. Id. ¶ 2 & Ex. A at 4. A blankly endorsed Note is payable to its bearer and may
 16 be negotiated by transfer of possession. RCW 62A 3-205(b). Deutsche Bank possesses the Note
 17 and is its bearer. Reyes Dec. ¶ 2. As such, Deutsche Bank had the ability to enforce all rights
 18 under the Note at all relevant times. Thus, because Plaintiff defaulted on her loan obligations,
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22 ⁵ It appears Plaintiff deliberately pled her claim against Deutsche Bank (and others) in this manner in an attempt to
 23 side-step Judge Robart's decision in, *Vawter v. Quality Loan Serv. Corp.*, 707 F. Supp. 2d 1115, where Plaintiffs
 24 asserted a claim that was virtually identical to Plaintiff's third cause of action in this matter.

25 ⁶ Additionally, Plaintiff includes a bevy of authorities and citations that apply to the foreclosure trustee, not
 26 Deutsche Bank. *See, e.g.*, Motion at 7:13-14 ("Because the deed of trust foreclosure process is conducted without
 review or confirmation by a court, the fiduciary duty imposed on the [foreclosure] trustee is exceedingly high.")
 (citing *Cox v. Helenius*, 103 Wn.2d 383, 387, 693 P.2d 683 (1985)).

1 Deutsche Bank cannot be liable for exercising its rights in initiating foreclosure proceedings.
 2 Plaintiff's third cause of action should, therefore, be dismissed with prejudice.

3 Second, Plaintiff asserts, "there are no published Washington state court decisions
 4 holding that trustee's and/or foreclosing entities, *i.e.*, note holders, are immune from liability for
 5 violating the provisions of the Deed of Trust Act" Response, at 7:5-8. Plaintiff's assertion is
 6 irrelevant to the issue before this Court, and Plaintiff conveniently fails to mention that no
 7 Washington court has *ever* permitted affirmative damages based on defects in the initiation of
 8 foreclosure.⁷ *Pfau v. Wash. Mut. Inc.*, 2009 WL 484448 at *12 (E.D. Wash. 2009) ("There is no
 9 case law supporting a claim for damages for the initiation of an allegedly wrongful foreclosure
 10 sale. Moreover, there is no statutory basis supporting a claim for damages for wrongful
 11 institution of foreclosure proceedings.") (citing *Kreinke v. Chase Home Fin.*, 2007 WL 2713737
 12 (Wn. App. 2007)); *Henderson v. GMAC Mortgage*, 2008 WL 1733265, *5 (W.D. Wash. 2008)
 13 ("illegal foreclosure" claim fails because "no foreclosure ever occurred"). As demonstrated by
 14 its opinion, this Court was aware of these decisions when it dismissed a claim in *Vawter*, 707 F.
 15 Supp. 2d at 1122-24, that was virtually identical to Plaintiff's third cause of action against
 16 Deutsche Bank. See Motion at 8 n.1. Indeed, Judge Robart's decision in *Vawter* was rooted in
 17 Washington case law, the language of the DTA, and the Act's legislative history. *See* 707 F.
 18 Supp. 2d at 1122-24. While Plaintiff invites this Court to ignore its previous holding in *Vawter*,
 19 in failing to distinguish her third cause of action against Deutsche Bank, she has provided this
 20 Court with no occasion for doing so. Thus, like the wrongful foreclosure claim in *Vawter*,
 21 Plaintiff's third cause of action against Deutsche Bank should be dismissed with prejudice.
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26 ⁷ Notably, Plaintiff has shown no defects attributable to Deutsche Bank in the instant case.

1 **5. Plaintiff's CPA claim against Deutsche Bank is completely meritless.**

2 To be clear, Deutsche Bank argued in its motion that Plaintiff's CPA claim should be
 3 dismissed for each of the following reasons: (1) Plaintiff failed to support Deutsche Bank's CPA
 4 liability as an assignee creditor, *see Motion, at 10-12*; (2) Plaintiff's CPA claim is preempted by
 5 federal law, *see id., at 12-14*; (3) Plaintiff fails to satisfy the injury element of her CPA claim, *see*
 6 *id., at 14-16*; and (4) Plaintiff fails to satisfy the public interest element of her claim, *see id., at*
 7 *16-17*.

8 To refute these arguments, Plaintiff argues only that (1) Deutsche Bank is not a federally
 9 regulated national bank, *Response, at 9:17-22*, and (2) "to the extent that the actions complained
 10 of herein relate to the foreclosure proceeding, they cannot be preempted by federal law since
 11 there are no federal foreclosure laws. State law occupies the entire field on foreclosures...." *Id.*
 12 *at 9:22-25*.

13 First, Plaintiff has only addressed Deutsche Bank's second argument, asserting her CPA
 14 claim is preempted by federal law. Because Plaintiff fails to oppose Deutsche Bank's arguments
 15 regarding her failure to establish the essential elements of her CPA claim or Plaintiff's failure to
 16 establish Deutsche Bank's assignee liability, she failed to create a genuine issue of material fact
 17 as to her CPA claim, and Deutsche Bank is consequently entitled to judgment as a matter of law.

18 Second, to the extent that the actions complained of by Plaintiff relate to the *foreclosure*
 19 *proceeding, see Response, at 9:22-25*, those alleged actions are not attributable to Deutsche
 20 Bank. Aside from triggering the foreclosure proceedings *following Plaintiff's default*, Deutsche
 21 Bank had nothing to do with the foreclosure process that Plaintiff complains of. In fact, the
 22 gravamen of Plaintiff's CPA claim against Deutsche Bank is that Deutsche Bank "caused a
 23 foreclosure to be initiated in an attempt to take possession and ownership of Ms. Bain's home,
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1 when [Deutsche Bank was] not the holder of Ms. Bain's Promissory Note." Am. Compl.
 2 3.13(a).⁸ Because Deutsche Bank held Plaintiff's Promissory Note when Plaintiff defaulted, it
 3 held the right to foreclose on the property to satisfy Plaintiff's debt. Accordingly, Deutsche
 4 Bank acted lawfully in triggering the foreclosure process, and Plaintiff's CPA is meritless.

5 **III. CONCLUSION**

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 7 For the foregoing reasons, and for those provided in its Motion for Partial Summary
 8 Judgment, Defendant Deutsche Bank National Trust Company respectfully requests that this
 9 court grant its Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, dismissing Plaintiff's claims for
 10 Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress, for Breach of Fiduciary or Quasi-Fiduciary Duty,
 11 and for violation of Washington's Consumer Protection Act with prejudice.

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25 ⁸ Plaintiff has not provided, and cannot provide, any evidence supporting that Deutsche Bank prepared, created, or
 26 recorded any false documentation. *See* Am. Compl. ¶ 3.13(b). Additionally, for the reasons provided in section "4."
 of this Reply brief, Plaintiff has not made, and cannot make, any showing that Deutsche Bank acted unlawfully in
 connection with the foreclosure proceedings pertaining to her Macadam St. property.